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TO: IMMEDIATE WHITE HOUSE SITUATION ROOM FOR MR. FAZIO.

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ITEM NO: WH-1

DATE: JUNE 9, 1974

SUBJECT: LIBYA: QADHAFI MAY TAKE SOME ANTI-US ACTION

PRESIDENT QADHAFI MAY TAKE SOME ANTI-US ACTION ON JUNE 11

--THE FOURTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE US DEPARTURE FROM WHELEUS AIR BASE. IN THE PAST THE LIBYAN LEADER HAS USED THE OCCASION TO DRAMATIZE HIS ANTAGONISM TOWARD US POLICY IN THE MIDDLE EAST. LAST YEAR, FOR EXAMPLE, HE ISSUED A BITTER HARANGUE, CONDEMNED US RECONNAISSANCE FLIGHTS OFF THE LIBYAN COAST, AND THREATENED A MAJOR SHOWDOWN WITH AMERICAN OIL COMPANIES.

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QADHAFI MAY EVEN BE PLANNING TO SPONSOR
TERRORIST ACTION JUST BEFORE THE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS IN
ORDER TO DRAW ATTENTION TO HIS SCHEDULED PUBLIC ADDRESS. 25X1

THE OUTSPOKEN LIBYAN HAS BEEN UNUSUALLY QUIET FOR THE
LAST SEVERAL MONTHS. HE IS LOOKING FOR A WAY TO REASSERT
HIMSELF AS A MAJOR PLAYER IN MIDDLE EAST POLITICS AND MAY BE-
LIEVE THAT A SWIPE AT US INTERESTS IS AT LEAST A FIRST STEP.
ON THE OTHER HAND, LIBYAN LEADERS ARE AWARE THAT LASHING OUT
AT THE US WILL ONLY COMPLICATE THEIR CURRENT PROBLEMS WITH
CAIRO. QADHAFI AND HIS COLLEAGUES SEEM TO BE GROPING FOR A WAY
TO HANDLE THEIR TROUBLED RELATIONS WITH THE EGYPTIANS AND THE
LARGER DELEMMA PRESENTED BY A NEW SET OF CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE
MIDDLE EAST. THEIR UNCERTAINTY MAY SERVE TO RESTRAIN QADHAFI--
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